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Federal Opportunities

Community Development Work Study Program.

The Department of Housing and Urban Development announces funds for a work study program to provide assistance to economically disadvantaged and minority graduate students who participate in community development work study programs and are enrolled full-time in a graduate community building academic degree program. Institutions of higher education, area-wide planning organizations, and States are eligible. Funds up to \$15,000 per student per year for two years are available. The deadline is February 25, 2000. For further information, contact Jane Karadbil at (202) 708-1537 ext. 5918 or email Jane_R_Karadbil@hud.gov.

Assets for Independence Demonstration Projects.

The Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families invites applications for new demonstration projects that will establish, support, manage, and participate in the evaluation of Individual Development Accounts (IDAs) for eligible participants among lower income individuals and working families. Non-profit organizations and State and local government agencies are eligible to apply. Approximately 25 projects will be funded at levels not to exceed \$500,000 and averaging about \$200,000. Matching funds are required. The deadline is May 15, 1999. For further information, contact Sheldon Shalit at (202) 401-4807 or sshalit@acf.dhhs.gov. Also visit www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs/

Pollution Prevention Grants. *Environmental Protection Agency* funding is available for programs that address the reduction or elimination of pollution across all environmental media (air, land, and water) and to strengthen the efficiency and effectiveness of

State technical assistance programs in providing source reduction information to businesses. Only State government agencies are eligible. Approximately \$5 million is available nationally and EPA regional directors will set deadlines and make awards based on their own allocation. For more information, contact Region III, Jeff Burke at (215) 814-2761 or burke.jeff@epa.gov.

Mobile Source Outreach Assistance. *Environmental Protection Agency* solicits proposals for mobile sources-related public education and outreach projects. State, local and multi-state pollution control agencies are eligible. Approximately 6 awards will be made, none to exceed \$100,000. The deadline is February 23, 2000. For more information, contact Susan Bullard at (202) 564-9856 or bullard.susan@epa.gov.

Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education--Comprehensive Program.

The Department of Education announces grants to improve postsecondary education opportunities. Invitation priorities have been set, however addressing them does not provide preferential review. Institutions of higher education and other public and private nonprofit educational institutions and agencies are eligible. Approximately 150 awards will be made ranging between \$50,000 and \$200,000. The deadline is February 11, 2000. For further information, contact (202) 502-7500. The application is also posted at www.ed.gov/FIPSE/

District Opportunities

School-To-Careers Programs. *DC Public State School-to-Careers Office* is soliciting applications for activities to carry out local School-to-Work opportunities and programs. Applications shall provide a systemic approach to School-to-Careers based on education reform, economic development,

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workforce development, and community development. A total of \$2,725,841 will be awarded on a competitive basis. The deadline for applications is January 10, 2000. The Request for Application (RFA) is available for pick-up at 717 14th Street, NW, 12th Floor, Washington, DC 20005. For further information, contact OGMD at (202) 727-6537.

Youth Leaders in Tobacco Control Programs.

The DC Department of Health is soliciting grant applications from organizations to develop youth leaders (12-18 years-old) to assist with programs that prevent smoking prevalence and initiation among youth. A total of \$85,000 is available to fund four grants each for \$15,000-\$25,000. The grant categories are: public awareness about tobacco laws and policies; media and music; tobacco control education; and reaching out to diverse groups. The deadline for submission is January 18, 2000. Applications will be available on December 21, 1999 by calling the Tobacco Program at (202) 442-5433.

Community Development Block Grant. *The DC Department of Housing and Community Development* announces \$14 million in funding under the federal Community Development Block Grant and the HOME Investment Partnerships program. This notice of funding is being conducted as part of the development process for the FY2001 (October 2000-September 2001) Consolidated Action Plan submission to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. Applications should address one of the following four funding types: 1) construction and rehabilitation; 2) special needs population housing; 3) small public service projects; 4) community housing development organizations. All applications must be received at DHCD before Monday, January 31, 2000. For further information, contact the Division of Development Finance at (202) 442-7280 or 801 N. Capitol St., NE, 2nd Flr., Washington, DC 20002.

Private Funding Opportunities

Funding Justice for Low-Income Women. *The Jewish Fund for Justice* is seeking grassroots organizations run by women to apply to be one of its Donor Circle grant recipients. The Donor Circle focuses on organizations combating poverty through building communities that work together to build political and economic power in order to influence

the institutions and laws that affect low-income women. Groups must have an advocacy or organizing component to be eligible. Ten grants ranging from \$500-\$25,000 will be awarded. Applications must be postmarked by January 15, 2000. Contact (212) 213-2113 or visit www.jfjustice.org for more information.

Capital City Initiatives Grants. *The Fannie Mae Foundation's* grantmaking in DC is targeted to charitable, nonprofit organizations that either provide direct services and programs to the community or strengthen the community's infrastructure, especially in lower-income neighborhoods. The foundation has adopted five priority funding goals for 2000:

- support sustainable neighborhood-focused housing and community development;
- increase the human and development potential of underserved populations;
- promote arts and humanities as a community-building tool;
- encourage community service to reduce homelessness and address other community problems; and,
- facilitate civic engagement and renewal.

Applications are considered three times per year and the next deadline is March 30, 2000. Application requirements and more information can be obtained by calling (202) 274-8013 or visiting www.fanniemaefoundation.org.

Resources & Announcements

Free WWW Sites and Design Assistance. *DC FreeNet* provides free website space and volunteer technical assistance to nonprofit and community organizations in the DC metropolitan region. DC FreeNet does not provide Internet access! Dial-up service must still be obtained from netzero, AOL, eols, etc. Over 100 organizations already have benefited from this program offered by SERVInt. For more information or to apply for the service, visit <http://dcfree.net>.

Happy Holidays from OGMD!
Funding Alert will not be published next week (December 27, 1999). We will be back the week of January 3, 2000.